CASE OF HESPERIAN LIFTS BERLIN HOPE

Denial Vessel Was Torpedoed Expected to Influence Favorably U. S. Opinion.

MR. WILSON IS PRAISED FOR HIS SELF-RESTRAINT

Berlin Bases Disclaimer on Absence of Submarine and the Explosion Itself.

BERLIN, September 15, via London 12:40 p.m.-In the German government's explanation of the Hesperian case Germania sees the way made clear for "President Wilson's ultimate position regarding the German note concerning justification for the sinking of the Arabic.'

The newspaper declares that the British press must give up its hopes of seri-ous differences between Berlin and Washington. It praises President Wilson for having refused to be influenced by British reports of a new menace to German American relations, which had just been guided into a more peaceful channel, and

"The President's cool self-containment is now justified. The British tissues of lies is at last torn to pieces, and if anything remains of the entire question of responsibility for the misfortune it probably will rest immediately, as we expected, on one of Britain's excellent anchored mines."

Blame Placed on Mine.

The German government, in a note from the foreign office to Ambassador Gerard, delivered at noon yesterday, made a qualified disclaimer of responsibility for the sinking of the steamship Hesperian. On the face of the

ship Hesperian. On the face of the evidence thus far at hand the government is satisfied that the Hesperian was not sunk by a German submarine. The German position, as semi-officially stated, follows:

"As we are informed from a competent source, the news already received, taken in connection with facts officially known, seems to exclude almost absolutely the possibility that a German submarine could under any circumstances have been concerned in sinking the British passenger steamer Hesperian.

No U-Boat in Vicinity.

"Firstly, according to the prearranged distribution, no German sub-marine should have been on September in that part of the ocean in which the Hesperian sank.

"Furthermore, the explosion, according to descriptions received from British sources, was of such a nature as to indicate from its effects that it was rather that of a mine than of a torrector.

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"The circumstances that, according to these descriptions, the vessel was struck near the bow and that the bow compartments filled with water goes to confirm this assumption."

The note contains, in addition to the statements thus made semi-officially, a paragraph to the effect that all the submarines that were at sea September 4 have not yet returned, but that there is no reason to expect that the reports which they will supply will change the situation.

The note is a simple recital of the facts as the German government sees them, without any expression of sentiment or comment on the German submarine policy.

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It is believed here that the Hesperian note will go far toward removing one factor of possible tension in the Ger-

factor of possible tension in the German-American negotiations regarding submarine warfare.

The political leaders of Germany express themselves as confident that the possibility for future error or accident with respect to the sinking of liners without warning has been minimized. They hope that the Arabic case may be settled on the basis of Germany's offer to refer the question of reparation to The Hague, and that the difficulties with the United States over the submarine question, if they still exist, may be eliminated by reason of the instructions issued to submarine commanders, which are in clear, well defined form.

State Department officials, commenting today on the disclaimer of the Berlin government that the Canadian liner Hesperian was torpedoed, said that insufficient evidence had been received upon which to base representations to Germany at this time. From the facts at hand, it was said, no opinion could be formed as to whether the Hesperian was torpedoed or struck a mine.

Official reports have made no reference to statements of passengers on the liner that large pieces of metal were found on the decks of the vessel, which might furnish evidence to determine whether the ship was the victim of a mine or a torpedo. If it should be determined that the Hesperian struck a mine, officials say there would be no means of fixing responsibility for placing the mine.

CREDIT MEN AT LUNCH

Washington Association to Send Delegation to Richmond Conference in November.

Members of the Washington Association of Credit Men gathered at the Ebbitt House at noon today and held their initial luncheon following the summer recess. It was preceded by a short business ses sion at which plans for a new department of credit work were outlined, and the committee also decided to participate with the Virginia associations in a meeting at Richmond, Friday, November 5, ington today from a month's vacation The Washington association expects to in the Catskill mountains, the suggestion of the Catskill mountains, the catskill mountains and the catskill mountains, the catskill mountains and the catskill mountains, the catskill mountains and send a delegation to this conference.

ommittee on membership had reported favorably the applications for member-Company, Crovo & Price, John C. Mein- reality. berg and C. F. Wilkins Sons & Co. At the conclusion of the luncheon an address was delivered by W. H. Ramsey of the Department of Justice, who is in charge the proposed entertainment, and if the Department of Justice, who is in charge of the investigation now being made by the department into the operation of the bankruptcy act throughout the United States. Mr. Ramsey presented a great many facts and figures showing the operation of the act, the expense of administration of bankruptcy estates and other matters of interest to credit men.

In the absence of President McKee, the meeting was in charge of the vice president appealed to him strongly, and that the idea appealed to him strongly, and that meeting was in charge of the vice president, A. J. May, while a committee of which Carl C. Mueller is chairman, had charge of the luncheon.

GOLD CERTIFICATES TO N. Y.

of \$10,000,000, mostly in \$10,000 notes. f \$10,000,000, mostly in \$10,000 notes.

Bankers who import the gold prefer the certificates to the metal. American old coin imported is exchanged immetals and an honorary committee to be appointed for the purpose. the certificates to the metal. American gold coin imported is exchanged immediately for certificates; European coin is melted at the mint and then paid for in the same way.

Capt. John W. Wilen Dead.

Department of the death in San Fran- possibly, a mule race, and a short polo

grounds. Admiral Fletcher, command-er-in-chief of the fleet, has been in conference with Secretary Daniels at the Navy Department about plans for war game maneuvers next month.

AT THE EBBITT HOUSE HEARTILY INDORSES

Commissioner Newman Would Honor Bands Giving Free Concerts.

Enthusiastically indorsed by Commissioner Newman, who returned to Washington today from a month's vacation tion that Washingtonians stage an out-The secretary reported today that the | door festival late in October in honor of the government bands that have played in the public parks this summer today ship from The Evening Star Newspaper gave promise of developing into a

It is understood that officials of the bands will be sounded out as to senti-

idea appealed to him strongly, and that he would be glad to take up with his colleagues on the board the matter of appointing a committee on arrangenents should it decide to go ahead with the project.

\$110,000,000 Worth Exchanged by
Treasury for European Coin.
About \$110,000,000 in gold certificates of large denominations, principally for the use of American bankers who have received shipments of gold from Europe, has been shipped to New York in the last three months by the Treasury Department. There have been five shipments of \$20,000,000 each and one of \$10,000,000, mostly in \$10,000 notes.

with the project.
One suggestion is that a silver loving cup, appropriately inscribed, be presented to each band. This would require an expenditure of money and it is proposed to acquire the necessary funds by "passing the hat" among the hundreds of citizens that will be expected to attend the celebration.
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Some Proposed Features.

So much for the formalities of the occasion. The entertainment proposed will consist of a field meet, feats in Word has been received by the War horsemanship consisting of races and, Department of the death in San Francisco Monday of Capt. John W. Wilen of Martinsburg, W. Va. His body will be brought to Arlington national cemetery for interment. Capt. Wilen was thirty-eight years old, was a graduate of West Point and had seen service in the Philippines.

The Arrange of Vehicles to congregate. The band members would occupy the seats of honor, as the games and contests are to be staged primarily for their entertainment.

It is likely that the festival, if held, will be arranged for the last Saturday

Goes to Observe Fleet's Work.

Rear Admiral Benson, chief of operations, has gone to Fort Monroe, Va., to join the Atlantic fleet and observe target practice on the southern drill grounds. Admiral Fletcher, command

It matters little what it is that you want—whether a situation or a servant
—a want ad in The Star will reach the
person who will fill your need.

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UR present display of wedding stationery is the most comprehensive ever exhibitby this house-including not only the very newest correct forms direct from New York, but several unique novel effects not shown elsewhere in Washington-

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A most cordial invitation is extendedcome and look, you are under no obligation

Items of Interest Famous Need-Met \$ Suits With Two Pairs Pants

This is the suit all Washington mothers talk about. The quality is there, the price is right-the wear is perfect.

Corduroy School Suits Special for Thursday, Friday and Sat-

urday at \$4.95. Guaranteed School Hose, 20c pair; 6 pairs,

\$8.50 and \$10 For Highly Tailored Suits, with Two pairs





School Girls' Hats

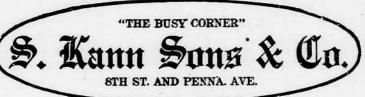
Very Chic and Winsome in the New Styles

\$1.59, \$1.95 and \$2.50

Children's Hats of hatter's plush crowns, velvet brims, in sailor shapes with rather high crowns and trimmed with grosgrain \$2.50 millinery Store—Second Floor.

Open Daily 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Except Saturday, When We Close at 6:00 P.M.



Children's Umbrellas

The Little Folks Will Need for School-Select From These Three Lots.

Covers are of black gloria cloth, umbrellas finished with plain and fancy handles, sizes 20, 22 and 24. The majority have cases to match. In the highest priced lot we also have a number of garnet and navy umbrellas. Lot 1—Choice.

Lot 2—Choice Lot 3—Choice Umbrella Store-Street Floor.

Tomorrow Kann's Annual Sale for School Children

With the Opening of Fall Education the Musical Studies

MUSIC ROLLS AND FOLDS

Very

A new and unusually high-grade line is presented this fall at the popular 98c. So convenient and saves the music from wear and tear of handling loose; neat and efficient.

Special at.....

Don't Lose the Precious Pennies

Children's Leather Coin Purses—Good quality leather; pretty shapes and styles. 25c and 50c

Leather Goods Store-Stre



Featuring ample stocks of stylish apparel for girls, misses and children, also supplies priced in a way that parents like.

Bring the Children Here and Equip Them Right

PUNCTUALITY

The "Watchword"

Of Our Progressive School Children-Help Them by Keeping Them Informed

Children's Chatclaine Watches— In gun metal, silver \$1.50 plate and gold plate effects. Special.....

Children's Solid Gold Brooch Pins—In dainty crescent and half-moon shapes. 50c

Sterling Silver Friendship Link Rings—To match the popular friendship bracelets; some with stone settings in quaint effects; others with place for initial as in bracelets. Special 50c

Jewelry Store-Street Floor.

Remember-In Fitting Out the Young Girls For School That There Is No Feature of the Wardrobe More' Important Than the Corset or Corset Waist She Wears.

Have Proved Their Reliability and Fitness for the Young Girls' Wear



The young girl is much happier if she is dressed sensibly and comfortably attired, and correct dressing depends largely upon the correct corseting. That Ferris Good Sense Waists have steadily grown more and more popular proves that they are wisely designed and correctly constructed. Sizes are from 6 to 20 years.

At 50c—One style made with shoulder straps, tape buttons, button front and front garters.

Three different styles: One button front, one At 75c hook front, both with straps over shoulders; the other style is more like a woman's corset, hooks in front, and is without shoulder straps; has tape buttons, two sets garters.

Button-front Corset, with straps over shoul-

der, similar to one of the styles at 75c, but of a better quality material. Corset Store-Second Floor.

OF GREAT IMPORT

Little Folks' Wearing Apparel

and Specially Suited Junior Garments

Little Kindergartner's Dresses at 50c. 10 Dainty New Styles in Pretty Chambray, Plaid and Striped Ging-ham and combination effects for our little ones just starting the school

Little Tots' Sweater Coats at \$1.25. All-wool with roll collars, pearl and bone buttons, pockets; choice of tan, red, copenhagen, blue and gray.

Girls' Middy Blouses at \$1.00. Made of Lonsdale Jean, long or short sleeves; white or navy collars; ne of serge, or Peter Thompson linen. Sizes 6 to 20 years.

Girls' Serge Dresses at \$5.00. Navy Blue Serge or Shepherd Check Material; in regulation middy style with long waist and pleated skirt. Very chic. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Girls' Sweater Coats at \$3.50 Fancy stitch, Norfolk style with roll collar; choice of copenhagen, blue, light gray, Harvard red, rose and tan; sizes 12 to 16 years.

Girls' Pajamas at \$1.25. Made of soisette; in white, pink and blue, coat part finished with silk frogs; sizes 8 to 14 years. Little Folks' Store—Second Floor.

Start the Children Right On the Road to School By Seeing That They Have the Correct Footwear

OUR SPECIAL NEW SECTION

Is one of the most inviting and pleasantest spots in the store; thoroughly equipped and devoted exclusively to children's service. Our salespeople are experts in selecting children's shoes, and in properly fitting growing feet. THERE ARE NO BETTER SHOES MADE FOR CHILDREN THAN THE LINES WE FEATURE TOMORROW AT OUR REGULAR LOW PRICES.

With every purchase of Children's Shoes tomorrow, a Combination Bookstrap and Folding Aluminum Drinking Cup-FREE.

See Our "SK" School Shoes for Children, broad toe shapes; button, with dull kid top; heel or spring heel; made of gun metal, calf or patent colt

Sizes 5 to 8....\$2.00

See Our "SK" School Shoes button and button style, with flat bottoms; in tan, patent or dull leather.

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Sea Our "SK" School Shoes button and te" back to nature shoes"; made of specially tanned leathers; soles soft and flexible; good wearing quality; no mails used in construction. Choice of black and tan. Sizes 5 to 8. . . . \$1.50 Sizes 5 to 8. \$2.00

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Perky Bows and Saucy Rosettes, Rioting in Pretty Colors, Mark the

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S

Well Clad Hodies Make Healthy, Comfortable Children. An Im-portant Factor in the Wardrobe—

Children's Fall - Weight

UNDERWEAR Children's Jersey Ribbed Vests—Bleached and fleeced; with high neck, long sleeves; Dutch neck, elbow sleeves. Pants to match, in knee and ankle lengths, with French band. Choice, 25C each

Strong and Durable—The Essential Qualities of CHILDREN'S SCHOOL HOSIERY

Children's Medium and Heavy Weight Hose, ribbed, double heels and toes; double knees. Serviceable, and wear splendidly; all sizes, pr Children's School Hose, fine ribbed, fall weight; in black, white, tan, bronze and gray; all sizes; full regular made foot; double soles, heels and 25c toes; double knees. Pr...

Hosiery Store—Street Floor.

Collars, to be worn with school dresses or over 12/2C the school coat, at... Neckwear Store—Street Floor.

Introducing the New Washable Kid Gloves

For Our School Children This is an innovation in Chil-

This is an innovation in Children's Gloves, worthy of great praise—think of having a perfectly fitting, dainty tan, sand or pearl shade glove that the kiddies could wear, soil to their heart's content—then have washed with ordinary soap and water and all ready to be worn again, as though new. They are "American made"—and excellent. Oneclasp style, with spear point stitched backs.

At \$1.00 Pair

Children's Washable Chamolsette Gleves, in one-clasp style with English cut thumb; choice of white tan and gray. 50c pair. Glove Store—Street Floor.

Coats or College Girls

Bigger and Better Assortment Than Usual At This time. At.......... \$6.95

A Record Sale Thursday of

Stunning New Creations, Among Them Many Handsome Sample Suits

The exceptional quality of the materials used; the smartness of style and the correctness of cut; the excellence of the workmanship shown in these garments will cause you to acknowledge their superiority and you will undoubtedly decide to own

The New Fabrics-New Colorings-New Lines-New Trimmings Tomorrow is an opportune time for both mother and daughters to select the new fall suit. The young woman of 16, 18 or 20 who is preparing to go back to boarding school or college will find it advantageous to inspect these suits tomorrow Garment Store-Second Floor. Women's sizes 34 to 44 bust.

The Correct Neckwear

Adds so much to the smart, well groomed appearance of the child. A wise mother knows the value of neat and tasteful attire for the child's school wear.

Middy Ties to be worn with the middy blouses; colors are red, navy and black. Three different grades, at—

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Pique Collar and Cuff Sets, round and square collars, finished with scalloped edges, a set—

25c and 50c

Girls' Stiff Linen Buster Brown Collars, to be worn with school dresses or over 12½cc the school coat, at....

Neckwear Store—Street Floor

Schoolroom Accessories

Stationary Store and Bargain Tables-Street Floor

For the School

Sizes for Women

INCLUDING NECESSITIES FOR THE KINDERGARTEN TOTS UP TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE FOLK At 25c yd.—RIBBONS— choice of checks and fancy dresdens, fancy moires also in plain taffeta effects, plain moires and satins. Very finest quality; 5½ to 6 inch widths. Safety Fountain Pens, each \$1.00 and \$1.50 Kann's Kolonial Fountain Pens; special, Fiber School Cases, for lunch or books, each....29c School Bags, plaid, duck, corduroy and At 19c yd.—RIBBONS—Fancy effects in a new and fascinating collection of taffeta, moire and satin ribbons; 5 inches wide. Very nice qualities. Ribbon Store—Street Floor. each\$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 cravenette, patent leather, imitation Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens, each. \$2.50 to \$10 Composition Books, flexible and stiff Crayons, 8 to 25 colors in box, box.....2e to 10e Compass and Divider, at......25e